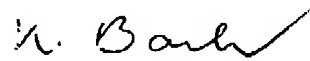


REMARKS

Claims 7, 8, and 9 have been added to appropriately cover the claimed method. These claims are based on original claims 2, 3, and 4.

The claims encompassing the elected invention are claims 4 -9.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Bach", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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